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REMARKS

Applicant again thanks the Examiner for the careful and thorough examination of the present application, and for the indication of allowable subject matter. By this amendment, independent Claims 12 and 26 have been amended to include allowable subject matter as indicated by the Examiner. Claims 14 and 27 have been canceled for consistency therewith. Claims 1-13, 15-22, 26 and 28 are now pending in the application and are allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. An early notice thereof is earnestly solicited. If, after reviewing this Response, there are any remaining issues that need to be resolved before the application can be passed to issue, the Examiner is invited and respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone to resolve such informalities.

Respectfully submitted,



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